

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/620,146	REEVES, ERIC W.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Hugh B. Thompson II	3634	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Hugh B. Thompson II(PTO). (3) _____.

(2) Mr. Jeff Schwartz & Eric Reeves. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 28 January 2005.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: "Beam slider" was demonstrated, specifically, the clamping force needed to secure the the clamps to the elongated beam and the structure of the teeth as received within apertures of the elongated beam.

Claim(s) discussed: proposed claim 16.

Identification of prior art discussed: Flora et al-397, Gagnon-155, Whitmer-633.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Hugh B. Thompson II
Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Demonstration of applicant's anchorage device was performed. Some key structural elements were identified, specifically, the movement of the pawl, the teeth off the pawl, the structure of the beam, and the positioning of the apertures within the beam. The structure of the pawl and receipt into the apertures, appear to be the more novel aspects of the invention. However, the proposed claim 16 "reads-on" the Gagnon and Whitmer references. Applicant was informed that an additional search would still be required .